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# Teenagers, 16 and 14, arrested after death of 18-year-old

# TEEN MURDER INVESTIGATION

· Frescade Crescent where Jay Benton (Left), of Berkeley Drive, Basingstoke, was found by paramedics

**POLICE have launched a murder investigation after an 18-year-old boy was found dead in a Basingstoke home last week.**

Jay Benton, of Berkeley Drive, Brighton Hill, was pronounced dead at Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospital in Aldermaston Road on July 2.

He was found by paramedics in cardiac arrest at Frescade Crescent in Kings Furlong, at 2.30pm that day.

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A 16-year-old boy and a 14-year-old girl, both from Basingstoke, were arrested on suspicion of murder but have been released on bail until October 29.

Residents expressed their shock and surprise at the incident happening in a quiet neighbourhood.

Roy Johnson, a 76-year-old resident who has lived on the road for more than 50 years, said: "This is a lovely, quiet, peaceful neighbourhood. It was very unexpected and startled a few residents when it happened."

Tributes were paid to the teenager were on social networking sites soon after his death, describing him as "a lovely lad", "someone you could instantly get along with" and the incident as "horrible".

A post-mortem examination conducted on Thursday July 3 failed to determine a cause of death.

Forensics tests are now underway.

Detective Inspector Ben Chivers, of Basingstoke CID, who is leading this investigation, said: "Our thoughts are with the family of Jay at this very difficult time.

"The investigation into the circumstances surrounding his death continues.

"We would urge members of the local community to remain calm and to continue to contact police with any information that may assist with our investigation."

The investigation into the death of the teenager is being led by the Hampshire Major Investigation Team under the name Operation Plate.

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# £23m pledged to ease bad traffic

**MAJOR traffic pinch points into Basingstoke are to be improved after a £23million cash boost was announced on Monday.**

The government funding was part of £6 billion handed out to authorities across the UK.

In Basingstoke the money is to be used on projects to improve a series of routes around the town including the A340 and the A33.

The cash was given to the Local Enterprise Partnership covering Basingstoke, Enterprise M3, which works with Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

Basingstoke MP Maria Miller said: "The money will now be available to reduce traffic jams and rat-runs in both Rooksdown and Chineham, with knock-on benefits for the whole area.

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"We need more investment in our local roads and services and the announcement will mean important improvements for residents and local employers too; cutting congestion and helping create more jobs here in Basingstoke to give people the local opportunities they need."

Part of the A340 on the northern corridor into Basingstoke will be made into a dual carriageway to ease traffic jams and support housing planned for the area.

The scheme will get £2.3m in 2015 to 2016 and a further provisional £1m in 2016 to 2017.

On the A33 – a key route between Basingstoke and Reading - £4.9 will go towards junction and road improvements at Chineham Park.

An extra 1.5m could also be given in 2016 to 2017.

This project includes traffic lights at the Binfields and Crockford Lane roundabouts and improvements to the A33/A339 Ringway roundabout, the A33/Gaiger Avenue roundabout and the A33/Popley Way junction.

From 2016 a project to improve the A30 western corridor into Basingstoke including Thornycroft and Winchester Road roundabouts is to get a provisional £9.3m.

The new funding announced is on top of £4.3m works to tackle traffic at junction 6 of the M3 and Black Dam roundabout.

Preparation is underway for work to start in September.

Leader of Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council Clive Sanders said: "Improving the corridors into the town is crucial given our investment in regenerating the Basing View business district to create more jobs.

"The work at Black Dam roundabout and on the A33 corridor will also help businesses at Chineham Park and to the east of the town.

"The provisional allocation for the A30 will bring the necessary improvements for the south of the town."

He added: "We created a master plan for Basingstoke to drive economic growth in the town so that it continues to be one of the major economic centres in the Enterprise M3 area."

## News Bites

### US diner burgled

TWO safes were stolen from an American diner in Kingsclere on Monday.

Nelson's Diner on the A339, was burgled at around midnight on July 7.

It is thought the thieves dragged out the safes causing bad damage to the diner.

### Taxi assault

A woman fled a taxi between Basingstoke and Reading after the driver touched himself inappropriately.

A passerby found her in Rockbourne Road, Sherfield-on-Loddon, before she was picked up by her parents.

Thames Valley Police are trying to trace the woman, aged about 20, after the passerby reported the incident.

A 37-year-old man was arrested in connection with the offence, between 2am and 4am on June 29 and released on bail.

It is believed the woman had been drinking with a friend in Reading before catching the taxi along the A33 towards Basingstoke.

The woman is white and slim, 5ft 8ins tall with brown bobbed hair and a tattoo. She was wearing black leggings, a black top and black boots.

# Basingstoke sailor in practice to run his own warship

**A BASINGSTOKE sailor who serves in the Royal Navy is currently serving in the Falklands as part of his training.**

Sub Lieutenant Luke Holdcroft, 25, is finishing his Specialist Fleet Time (SFT) training on HMS Clyde – the Royal Navy's longest deployed warship.

After the experience he can then take exams to become an Officer of the Watch – a role that means he will be able to command a ship for 24 hours.

Luke said: "My deployment to the Falklands is my first in the Royal Navy.

"I am really pleased to have been given this draft.

"It not only provides the necessary training, but also allows me to learn more about the 1982 Falklands conflict, an important part of the Royal Navy's recent history.

"I have visited the sites of historical interest and spoken to the local population who were here at the time of the conflict." He added, "The local wildlife is also very different from home with a variety of breeds of penguin regularly seen on the local beaches."

· Sub Lieutenant Luke Holdcroft, 25, from Basingstoke on Royal Navy warship HMS Clyde

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# Acts entertain town shoppers for festival

· French act – Le Navet Bete

**BASINGSTOKE received a real treat when hoards of unique performers showed off their talents last weekend as part of Basingstoke Festival.**

Musicians, dancers and magicians showcased the county's talent on July 6 and 7.

This year was the first time busking spots were set up across Basingstoke during the town's month-long festival for a project dubbed Top Hat.

Basingstoke and Deane bouough councillor Terri Reid judged the busking on Saturday.

Cllr Reid said: "It was great to be involved in the festival by judging the first day of the Top Hat events.

"The fantastic street theatre and great busking competition brought real buzz to Basingstoke."

Brighton-based steel drum duo Alex Clifton and Simon Stewart, called Steel Strum, scooped the winning prize and were presented with a trophy.

Other musical talent included a one-man band, singers, dancers, choirs, violinists and guitarists.

On Sunday, the Top of The Town hosted the Jelly Rodgers dragon – a huge wooden puppet that interacted with the crowd and dance group, Captive.

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An abundance of Indian culture also came to the festival with the Shristi Indian Dance Festival and the Shristi Indian Classical Music Festival presented by dance group Kala the Arts.

Indian organisation, KannadigaruUK also came to the festival where they presented the Indian Food and Culture Festival.

Basingstoke and Deane councillor Cathy Osselton said: "It was fantastic to see how all the different activities created a positive vibe in the town and judging a winner was extremely difficult, there's just so much talent in town."

· Alex Clifton on the steel pan and Simon Stewart on guitar

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### Council strikes

THOUSANDS of local council and school support workers are set to strike today in Hampshire.

Members of unions GMB, UNISON and UNITE aim to strike over a national dispute over pay during July 10.

They include carers, social workers, bin collectors, street cleaners and teaching assistants.

Picket lines outside Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council offices start at 8am and 7.30am outside the Hampshire County Council offices with a rally from 12.30pm.

### Botched robbery

A MAN wielding a large knife demanded cash from a South View Post Office last week.

Dominic Cannon of Basingfield Close, Old Basing, appeared at Basingstoke Magistrates Court on Friday charged in connection with the incident on July 3.

The 36-year-old is charged with attempted robbery and possession of a bladed article and is due to appear at Winchester Crown Court on July 30.

Shop staff did not hand over any money during the attempted robbery on July 3 shortly after 10am.

Hampshire Constabulary Detective Simon Quickfall said: "I am particularly keen to hear from two people who were in the shop at the time of this incident, one of who was a postman."

Anyone with information is asked to call police via their 101 number.

## Chef hopes to get children eating healthily in nurseries

**A NURSERY chef from Basingstoke has made it to the finals of a cookery competition.**

Julie Gray, 50, of Laburnum Way, is one of the 16 finalists who have made it to the "Scrumptious Starters and Delicious Desserts" competition, which is being held across all 238 of the Busy Bees nurseries across the UK.

The nursery chef will have to create a healthy starter that could be featured in all the Busy Bees Winter 2014 menus across the country.

Julie will be attending the final at The Cooking School at Dean Clough in Halifax, Yorkshire on July 17 and has decided that she will be making a courgette pate with Melba toast.

She said: "I am quite nervous as I haven't ever taken part in a cookery competition before but I am looking forward to it.

"I decided to make the dish because the children love fish and chips, and it was something different that they hadn't tried before. The pate was also a great way of incorporating a vegetable into the children's diet."

A panel of experts, including the director of Focus on Food, a charitable food education programme which helps schools and communities in the country run hands on cooking sessions, will be judging the competition.

·Julie Gray with children at Busy Bees Nursery in Basingstoke

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# New Tesco and plans for 48 homes unveiled

**PLANS have been revealed for a new Tesco store and 48 houses to be built in Brighton Hill, Basingstoke.**

Tesco has submitted preliminary plans to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council for the former Smiths Industries site, which would see 200 part time and full time jobs created.

In 2011, the company submitted an application for a store to be built in the same area.

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But the plans were rejected because of traffic concerns.

The new plans have downsized the supermarket.

Extra land on the site will be used to build housing.

Tesco's corporate affairs manager Jack Pearson said: "We are at the very early stages of the planning process and want to get feedback and suggestions from local members before we make a planning application.

"We believe that a smaller store, around two thirds the size of the one originally suggested, would still provide a great new shopping experience for local people. It would also allow us to regenerate the rest of the Brownfield site by building up to 48 attractive new homes for the local community."

Tesco has pledged to invest £5million to improve the roads network around the site.

The company has also said it will avoid competition with local businesses, so the new store would not include a pharmacy, post office, optician or travel agents.

Principal and Chief Executive of Basingstoke College of Technology, Anthony Bravo, said the plans will provide opportunities.

He said: "The jobs and career opportunities provided by this development will be extremely welcome in Basingstoke. I'm also delighted to see new housing included in the plans, which is sorely needed in the area."

A public exhibition for residents to have their say on the plans is to be organised.

# Hospital staff turn their skills to cake-making for charity

(Front LtoR) Executive Director Bruce Robinson, The Countess of Portsmouth, NeighbourCare Trustee Diana Charnell and Clinical Lead for ENT and Gynaecology Surgery Claire Broad

**SURGEONS abandoned their scalpels in favour of spoons and spatulas for a charity hospital bake-off.**

Nurses, doctors and managers were among the hospital staff who ran their own cake-baking competition at the BMI The Hampshire Clinic on July 1.

The bake-off - inspired by TV show "The Great British Bake-off" - raised funds for Basingstoke charity NeighbourCare, which helps needy people with everyday tasks.

Clinical lead for ear, nose and throat and gynecology surgery, Claire Broad, claimed a special mention for her skills recreating a mini operating theatre in sponge and icing.

Competition judge The Countess of Portsmouth, who is NeighbourCare's patron, said: "I was bowled over by the stunning array of cakes produced by the hospital staff at the Hampshire Clinic bake-off event.

"The cake designed as a hospital operation scene in the 'Show Stoppers' category was so inventive, and there were so many other beautiful and intricately decorated cakes."

The cakes were then sold to patients to raise money.

The clinic's executive director, Bruce Robinson. said: "It's very simple - we all love a good cake and we felt this would be the perfect way to raise much needed funds.

"Many of our team watch the TV show and are clearly very talented bakers, so we felt inspired to hold our own bake-off. We had plenty of fun and lots of delicious entries – the cakes have been spectacular."

• **The operating theatre cake**

## News Bites

### Music auditions

BUDDING musicians have the chance to join Hampshire's Young Orchestra, Wind Ensemble and Brass Band run by Hampshire County Council's Music Service.

Auditions will be held this month to choose musicians for the next academic year starting in September.

For more information call Hampshire Music Service on 023 8065 2037 or visit hants.gov.uk/hms.

### Basingstoke Live

THE town's annual music festival marks the end of the month-long Basingstoke Festival 2014 this weekend.

A variety of musical acts, dance performances and workshops will be on show at War Memorial Park on Saturday and Sunday, July 11 and 12.

For more information turn to the entertainments section on pages 15 and 16.

### Charity football

AN annual football tournament to raise funds for a charity kicks off in Basingstoke this Saturday, July 12.

The 5-a-side tournament at the Powerleague pitches by Brighton Hill Community College, Brighton Way, is raising money for Macmillan cancer charity.

The tournament is organised by Merit Group – a Basingstoke based recruitment company.

Companies from in and around Basingstoke can take part in the 12th annual competition. Call 01256 471508 for more information.

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# Young artist's work blossoms

• (Left to right) Merryn Grace Gilby and Harvey Mills with Mayor of Basingstoke Roger Gardiner and Mayoress Tricia Gardiner of Basingstoke behind the winning design.

**A PROMISING young artist saw her work bloom in Eastrop Park in Basingstoke on Monday.**

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Priory Primary School pupil, Merryn Grace Gilby, of Monk Sherborne, won a flowerbed design competition run by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

The contest aimed to mark the First World War centenary.

Merryn, 11, who also won a £50 Festival Place voucher, said: "I was really surprised to win but very pleased."

The winner's work was recreated in Eastrop Park.

The competition's runner up, 11-year-old Harvey Mills, from Tadley, received a certificate and a £50 Festival Place gift card.

On Monday, Merryn and the runner up met with Basingstoke and Deane Mayor and the Mayoress to see the design in a prominent flowerbed in the park.

Mayor Councillor Roger Gardiner said: "It is really fitting that young people should be marking this poignant anniversary in our history in such a creative way – a real link between the generations."

Children aged from seven to 11 from around Basingstoke were asked to design a flowerbed on a page of A4, using bright colours and featuring poppies.

The designs were submitted to the natural environment team leader at Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

# Man with missing teeth and accomplice targets woman in distraction burglary at her own home

**A WOMAN'S handbag was stolen in a distraction burglary at her Basingstoke home.**

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Police released an e-fit on Friday of a man they want to speak to about the theft in Alexandra Road at about 1.30pm on June 25.

A woman answered the front door to a man with missing teeth who spoke to her about her house needing new cladding, but she became suspicious and shut the door.

When she went to the back of her house she saw another man running out of her garden with her bag.

A 29-year-old man from Sherfield-on-Loddon has been arrested over the incident and has been bailed until August 20.

Detective Constable Wes Arnold, from Basingstoke CID, said: "Did you see anyone suspicious or matching the descriptions in the area at the time? The men were seen running from Alexandra Road towards Lower Brook Street. Have you been approached in similar circumstances?

"If you have any information which could help this investigation, please contact me."

The man at the door is described as white, about 6ft tall, of average build and in his mid to late 20s.

He had several teeth missing and had short blonde hair which looked dyed.

He was wearing a black t-shirt with a beige motif and light-coloured shorts.

The man running with the bag is described as white, between 5ft 10ins and 6ft tall and of a large, stocky build.

He had a shaved head and was wearing a baggy light-blue t-shirt and light-coloured shorts.

Police are appealing for anyone with information to contact them on 101.

• E-fit of the man police want to speak to

## News Bites

### Charity effort

A WOMAN from Basingstoke will be shaving off her hair and dying it pink afterwards to help raise money towards a new cancer centre to be built in North Hampshire.

Sarah Hubbard (below), 55, from Popley, has lost friends to cancer and wants to raise at least £500 for the centre to be built by Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

Her feat on July 21 will take place from 11am at Toni & Guy hair salon in Festival Place.

To donate go to justgiving.com/Sandra-Hubbard.

### Domestic abuse

A WORKSHOP that aims to stop men committing domestic abuse has proven a success.

A project, called Conditional Cautioning and Relationship Abuse, which is run by Hampshire Constabulary and the University of Cambridge, tracks the progress of men who have received a caution for domestic abuse.

It has been running in Western Hampshire since August 2012.

Results from the first 12 months of the project show that of 112 men, those who attended the workshop were 46 per cent less likely to re-offend.

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### Road verges

AN Alan Titchmarsh's challenge to keep town verges trim is being taken up by Hampshire County Council. The gardener-presenter challenged councils to keep verges trim so motorists can see clearly on roads - a feat the council have signed up to do.

### School changes

HAMPSHIRE County Council and the Hampshire Parent/Carer Network are preparing for government changes to help children and young people with special educational needs.

The changes, which will come into effect on September 1, will result in the council and the five health Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) working together to commission services that will support pupils in school.

### Elderly grant

A group which organises monthly music, singing and dance sessions for elderly disabled residents in Basingstoke has been given a £2,100 cash boost.

Joyful Jams – which runs sessions in old peoples' home - was one of 18 projects given a share of £32,000 by Hampshire County Council.

Executive member for culture and recreation Keith Chapman, granted the cash on Thursday, July 3.

He said: "These groups provide opportunities for people to participate and enjoy a range of community focused, activities."

# New Tadley youth centre in pipeline

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**THE £700,000 for a new youth centre to be built in Tadley is now in place.**

A planning application was submitted to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council last month for a two-story building behind the Tadley Community Centre in Newchurch Road.

The centre is planned to open next year.

Adrian Noad, Chairman of Tadley & District Community Association - who submitted the plans, said: "We are confident it will be approved.

"We are reaching a point now where funding is in place - we are just waiting on the council.

"Ideally, building would start around August or September time as we don't want to start the development when there is bad weather."

It will give the 60-plus teenagers who use the youth group, Chillz Zone at Tadley Community Centre their own base.

Architects sat with about 70 children and teenagers at a design workshop in October to hear what they wanted for their new youth centre.

• Youth centre plans from ACB Design Ltd

The site will be 410 square metres – a third of the size of the existing community centre.

Design ACB Ltd, a Basingstoke based architectural company, drew up the plans.

The £700-750,000 project is funded partly by Tadley Town Council and the Turbary Allotment Charity.

In the new development, there are new plans for a main hall with pod areas – which will have game consoles, a chill zone, two consultation rooms, one large ground floor hall, one small hall and toilets.

Mr Noad said: "We have spent six or seven years negotiating with the council - if it all come together, it will be fabulous."

Two consultations were launched last year for residents to have their say on the plans.

A target decision date for the council to decide on the plans has been set for August 22.

## Hospital staff burned after chemical spill

**A CHEMICAL spillage at the Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospital burned two members of staff last week.**

Fire fighters from Basingstoke's Fire Station's Green Watch treated the hospital workers for minor burns at 9pm last Tuesday, July 2.

The spillage in the Diagnosis and Treatment Centre involved peracetic acid - a highly corrosive disinfectant.

Fire fighters were at the scene for almost two hours.

Donna Green, the hospital's chief operating officer, said: "We can confirm the staff involved in the incident sustained minor burns, had immediate attention on site at the time, have seen a specialist and do not require further treatment.

"We take these matters very seriously and will be reviewing our procedures to see if there is anything we can learn."

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### Crime reduction

UP to £200,000 will be released by the Hampshire Police and Crime Commissioner in a second round for funding bids to help reduce crime.

Commissioner Simon Hayes has launched the bid to support groups, individuals and organisations to help reduce crime.

The Innovation Fund is available to those who have ideas which will help improve front-line policing to deter criminals, keep communities safe, place victims and witnesses at the heart of the policing and criminal justice system, work together to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour in the community and reduce reoffending.

For more information or to apply go to hampshire-pcc.gov.uk.

### Cyber-bullying

Maria Miller recently visited a Basingstoke school as part of a 'stop cyber-bullying' day.

Mrs Miller went to Brighton Hill School in Brighton Way where she met with the headteacher and heard about problems pupils had faced, such as bullying on social media.

The school had focussed on cyber-bullying as part of its wider anti-bullying week earlier in June.

After the visit on June 20 she said: "It can be difficult for parents to keep up with what their children are doing online.

"It is important that everyone understands the possible risk children face when using the internet and social media."

# Plans for 24 flats in Old Basing rejected

By **Mathew Di Salvo**
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Plans to build 24 flats in Old Basing countryside have been rejected by councillors because the development offered no affordable homes.

The proposal to bulldoze current office buildings at Riverside View in Basing Road to make way for the two-bedroomed flats were rejected at a Development Control meeting of Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council last Wednesday, July 2.

Councillor Jane Frankum said the plans should be turned down because there were no affordable homes.

The plans were submitted by small Basingstoke family builders TJ Lowery Group Holdings.

Speaking at the meeting Mr Lowery said: "We are this small company, we aren't a national, large-scale developer that is looking for ways to maximise shareholders returns by trying to maximise provision of affordable housing.

"We haven't got a bottomless pit of money like other developers. We have managed to keep our employees in work for that time."

He added the business would be willing to add affordable housing into the plans for the development.

He said: "I understand that affordable housing is an important issue.

"We are a small family business; we are a local business.

"At the moment, we could within that agreement have a contribution to affordable housing."

But councillors said changing the plans so they include affordable housing would be too much of an amendment to the planning application.

The extent of urbanisation that the development would case and the lack of public transport at the site were also cited as reasons for refusal.

A report by officers at Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council recommended the plans for refusal.

It said: "The proposed development would create significant urbanisation and have an unacceptable impact on the rural and verdant character of the site compared with the existing buildings and erode the countryside gap between Old Basing and Basingstoke."

It added the development would be harmful to the landscape.

A total of 21 letters of objection were submitted to the council over the plans.

## Skydive bids to raise cancer centre funds

**THRILL seekers will have the chance to skydive for free in Swindon if they raise enough money for charity.**

Ark Cancer Centre Charity are giving those who raise at least £400 the opportunity to parachute jump from 10,000 feet on September 20 at an airfield in Lower Wanborough, Swindon.

Pru Gayton, 41, a freelance copywriter from Hook, completed the first of two jumps this year in June.

She said: "I was really nervous going up but absolutely loved the freefall, I'm really glad I've done it and pleased to have raised money for such a fantastic cause."

The Ark Cancer Centre Charity is aiming to raise £5million towards a cancer centre to be built in North Hampshire by Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

The centre will provide plementary therapies, chemotherapy and radiotherapy in a 'state of the art' building.

Vickie Randall, charity manager said: "We are looking for brave people from Basingstoke, Alton and the surrounding areas to take part.

"It's an amazing way to help us raise the £5m we need and a chance to take part in a unique experience which will help local cancer patients access state-of-the-art treatment facilities."

Those who skydive will drop from 10,000 feet and freefall at over 120 mph while attached to a professional instructor.

Laura Butler, 24, a business developer from Bramley, said of the skydive: "It was a real adrenaline rush."

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• (Left to right) Pru Gayton, 41, of Hook with Laura Butler, 24, of Bramley, and (below) plans for the centre.

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## Child-on-child abuse revealed

**SHOCKING new figures reveal Hampshire Constabulary has recorded over 100 cases of child abuse committed by other children in the last two years.**

Results of a Freedom of Information request by children's charity NSPCC show in the past two years over 8000 children were accused of sexual offences against other children.

In 2012 to 2013 there were 56 cases of under 18s accused of sexual offences against other children, and 54 in 2013 to 14 in Hampshire.

Detective Chief Inspector Becky Riggs who leads Hampshire Constabulary's child abuse investigation team said: "I welcome the NSPCC campaign work to highlight this complex issue and support its efforts to prevent all forms of child abuse.

"As the NSPCC highlights, prevention is key."

Victims knew their alleged abuser in most cases and it was revealed that most of the time, teenage boys were abusing girls they knew.

The NSPCC have advised parents that in order to keep their children safe, the simple "Underwear Rule" can be used to teach young people what is and isn't appropriate.

Parents can enforce this simple rule by telling their children that the area covered by underwear should never be touched by anyone else.

# Staff celebrated at hospital awards

**HARDWORKING staff at Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospital were recognised at a hospital awards ceremony last week.**

By **Mathew Di Salvo**
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The WOW! Award winners, who were nominated by patients and staff, were treated to a hospital lunch on Friday, July 4, at the Aldermaston Road hospital.

The WOW! Awards are run by organisations across the country to recognise great customer service throughout the year.

There are approximately 120 nominations a month, mostly from members of the public - although staff can vote too.

These nominations are then presented to the trust's council of governors to choose the winners, who are awarded a certificate.

Tony Green, who has served as a governor at the hospital for 5 years and who goes through the nominations to choose winners said: "It is a privilege to be involved and to have an insight into the excellent work, from porters to consultants."

The categories people were nominated in included "sustainability and productivity", "innovation and environmental", "patient safety" and the overall "above and beyond".

About 40 winners attended the lunch.

Hospital porter David Townley, 48, won the "customer care" category.

He was nominated for his care accompanying a woman who was afraid of lifts onto the hospital wards.

He said: "It is very nice to get a nomination from someone outside.

"It feels good to be appreciated."

Philippa Aslet, a senior specialist urology nurse at the hospital and president of the British Urological Association of Nursing, was nominated by a patient who thought she broke the results of his prostate ultrasound with "sensitivity" and "humanity".

The 46-year-old nurse, who won the "above and beyond" category, said at the WOW! Awards: "It is a really unpleasant, undignified process men have to go through when they are being tested for prostate cancer and I try to make it as easy for the patient as possible.

"I love nursing, there is nothing better than being able to care for somebody and make a difference. It was wonderful to be nominated."

The winners were handed a certificate for the award.

· Winner Philippa Aslet with nursing director Donna Green

· Winners outside the hospital's Ark Conference Centre

## News Bites

### Lettings award

THE team at the Basingstoke branch of the property lettings specialist, Belvoir, were celebrating winning a prestigious award for being the "Best Lettings Franchise" of 2014.

Belvoir, one of the UK's largest letting franchises which has an office on New Street, won the Gold award for the third year in a row at the national Lettings Agency of the Year awards this year at the Lancaster Hotel in London.

It is the forth time the agency has won in that category.

### School nurses

HAMPSHIRE County Council plans to increase funding for school nursing services to support children over the next five years.

A maximum of £2.5million extra will be used to support children and young people in the county.

Since April last year, the responsibility of public health of five to 19-year-olds is up to local authorities.

It will up the county council's five year school nursing contract from £17.6 million to £20.1 million.

The new contract will be in place from April 1, 2015.

### Organ donors

NHS Blood and Transplant is asking people to talk to their family about donating their organs during National Transplant Week this week.

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For a full list of show times, go to anvilarts.org.uk.

## Shipwreck tale

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## Caring for gran

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# Town set for showdown

**BASINGSTOKE'S annual two-day music festival makes its return this weekend, with dozens of bands, singers and DJs ready to take to the five stages in Memorial Park.**

This is the eighth time the event, which marks the end of the Basingstoke Festival, is held in the town.

Saturday sees the main stage headlined by hip hop duo Krept & Konan, alongside popular local act The Marvels, heavy metal band Karrion and alternative rockers Treasures.

Sunday is more family-orientated, with '70s soul-funk group The Real Thing topping the bill.

Other acts to look out for include new funk-based collective Groove Republic, blues from the Sam Paine Trio and jazz artist Natasha Watts.

The event is organised by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, along with the Basingstoke Live Forum.

Cathy Osselton, cabinet member for partnerships, said: "It's another exciting line-up at Basingstoke Live this year.

"We've built up eight years of experience to make this a safe and enjoyable weekend of music for all the family.

"There is always a real buzz as Live approaches and this year is no exception, with more than 35,000 people expected over two days.

"I am very proud of the talent coming through in the borough and it's fantastic to see so many young bands taking part alongside their more established counterparts over the weekend.

"The message to the public is come along, stay safe and enjoy another great, free, Basingstoke Live."

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## Two speed crossword

**Quick Clues Across**

1 Considered (11)
9 Freeze (3)
10 Carry (9)
11 Sea bottom (5)
13 Adolescent (7)
14 Spurn (6)
16 Inquiring (6)
18 Town in Cyprus (7)
19 Blood sucker (5)
20 Obviously (9)
21 Moral lapse (3)
22 Place for personal advertisements (5,6)

**Quick Clues Down**

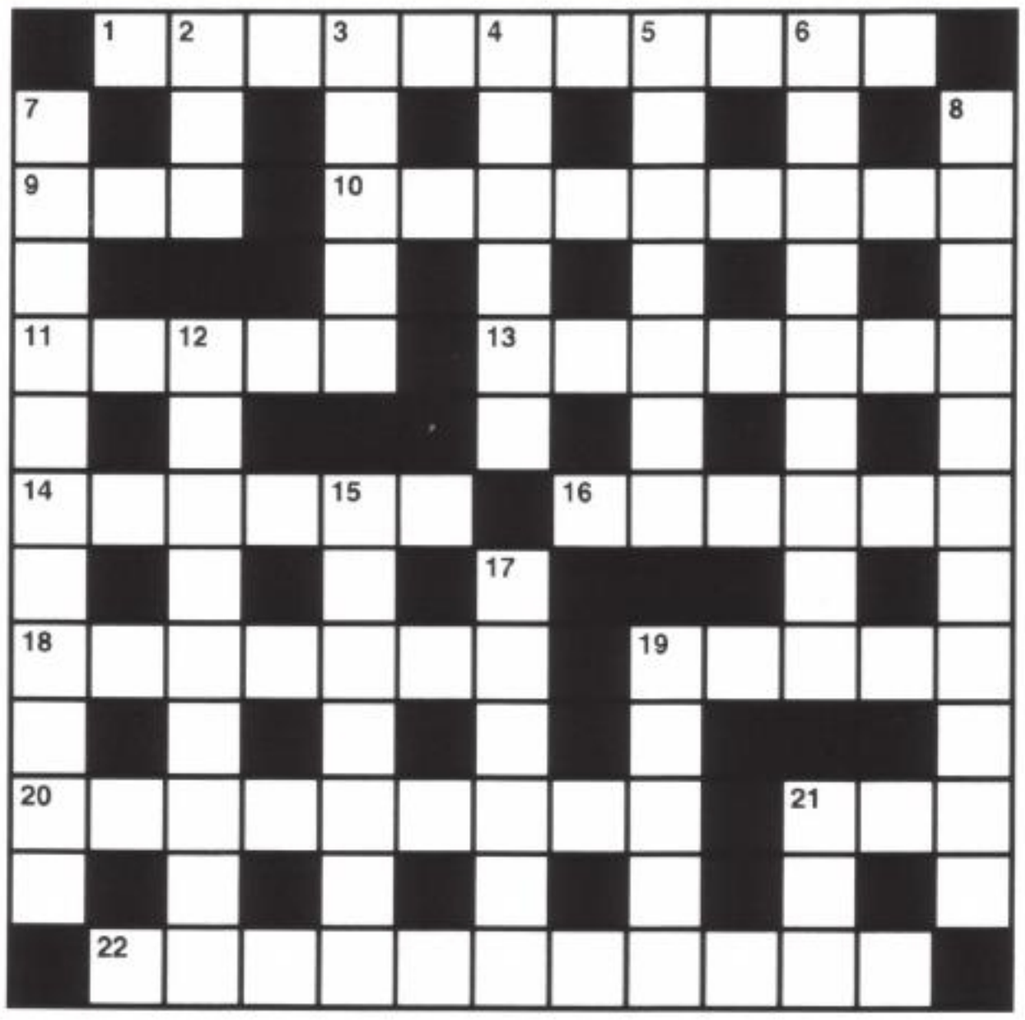
2 Look at (3)
3 Bury (5)
4 Extorts (6)
5 Replies (7)
6 Recalling memories (9)
7 Dissimilarities (11)
8 Makes firmer (11)
12 Disapproving (9)
15 Water tank (7)
17 Milky (6)
19 Faithful (5)
21 Total (3)

**Cryptic Clues Across**

1 The reliability of what can be eaten on credit? (11)
9 That is including a century in a cold state (3)
10 At no future time, according to the raven (9)
11 To tease us in return is sweet (5)
13 Those who are willing to reveal all? (7)
14 One who dines after noon initially is tidier (6)
16 One way I can change my mood (6)
18 Guess that the likeness will take in (7)
19 It's more genuine to be faithful to what is right (5)
20 How a Latin son could join the citizens (9)
21 Be critical of the god (3)
22 Making a fresh judgement about how the fools sing? (11)

**Cryptic Clues Down**

2 There's grass in every English county (3)
3 One who gives a way in round the new head (5)
4 Stolid six in part of the skeleton (6)
5 Almost entice without effort in a sensational way (7)
6 The outfit of the philosopher after a theoretical start? (9)
7 Quarrels about putting different sons in sides (11)
8 Bring the dismissals to a halt and stop fighting (5,6)
12 Give a pledge beforehand and argue out the surroundings (9)
15 Men who periodically have a policy (7)
17 Argue if it will be back in time (6)
19 In short it inquires for jobs (5)
21 A church following could turn this use of words into a blow (3)



## Scribble space

## This week's solutions

**Quick Crossword**

Across: 1 Deliberated 9 Ice 10 Transport 11 Floor 13 Teenage 14 Reject 16 Asking 18 Nicosia 19 Leech 20 Evidently 21 Sin 22 Agony column

Down: 2 Eye 3 Inter 4 Exacts 5 Answers 6 Evocative 7 Differences 8 Strengthens 12 Objecting 15 Cistern 17 Tactic 19 Loyal 21 Sum

**Cryptic Crossword**

Across: 1 Credibility 9 Ice 10 Nevermore 11 Sugar 13 Nudists 14 Neater 16 Myself 18 Imagine 19 True 20 Nationals 21 Pan 22 Reassessing

Down: 2 Rye 3 Donor 4 Bovine 5 Lundy 6 Trousseau 7 Dissensions 8 Cease firing 12 Guarantee 15 Editors 17 Debate 19 Tasks 21 Pun

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## Puppet show

CHILDREN'S puppet show Rory and the Sun Thief comes to the Bordon Phoenix theatre on Saturday.

Rory is wandering the barren landscape under a sunless sky, as she begins a journey to find friends, happiness, and to return the sun to its rightful place.

It starts at 1pm. Go to phoenixarts.co.uk to book.

## Crimewatch

BBC Crimewatch presenter Nick Ross is at the Basingstoke Discovery Centre next Thursday to talk about his career in journalism.

He discusses why he believes the criminal justice system has little effect on crime rates, and how his controversial views occasionally changed conventional thinking.

The talk starts at 7pm.

# Over to the dark side

**RED Carpet Screenings returns to Central Studio tomorrow evening, as they present the locally-made thriller 'Addict'.**

It tells the story of disillusioned sales manager David Pettigrew, who is addicted to smoking, drinking, and increasingly darker vices.

By **Adam Flinn**
adam@taylornewspapers.co.uk

He is haunted by his feelings for a married employee, but by seeking distraction elsewhere he sets off on a destructive path that can only end badly.

The film - which was shot on location in Basingstoke, Andover and Wallingford, in Oxfordshire - has been director, producer and co-writer Geoff Harmer's project over the past few years.

"The version of the film we screened two years ago at Central Studio turned out to not be the final version of the film," said Geoff.

"We made some rather significant changes to the film off the back of various sources of feedback after that screening.

"There is such a good network of film makers in Basingstoke that just seems to get bigger with every Red Carpet Screening event.

"Although 'Addict' was a struggle to put together at times, it was made a lot easier by the very friendly and helpful film makers I have met there.

"So many people have been generous with their time and skills, it really is just very humbling."

As well as 'Addict', all four webisodes of Pork Chop Picture's dark comedy series 'Meat' will also be shown tomorrow night.

Seb Hall, who organises the Red Carpet Screenings events, said: "It's an absolute pleasure to bring the feature film 'Addict' and the 'Meat' webisode series to the big screen once again.

"Having been personally involved in the production of these films, it's a real treat to be able to share them with the community and enjoy them as fully intended – in a cinema setting."

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Summer holidays, 23rd July – 1st September 2014

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**Closing date:**
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If it was just the music it would be enough but Cropredy also has an amazing relaxed atmosphere that is unequalled at any other UK summer event. This year the festival runs from Thursday the 7th to Saturday 9th of August. For more details and to book tickets visit www.fairportconvention.com

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By **James Richings**

The event promises to be a fantastic opportunity for Vauxhall lovers of all ages to appreciate the British car manufactures work since its foundation in 1857.

The all-day event will be jam packed with attractions for everyone to enjoy, as Beaulieu host the second ever event.

It features the National Motor Museum, World of Top Gear, On Screen Cars, Beaulieu Abbey and Palace House and gardens.

Along with the attractions that will take place, several car clubs have already confirmed their attendance at the rally, including the VXR Owners' Club, Vauxhall Cavalier Mk3 Owners' Club and Vauxhall Drivers' Club.

In addition to all the attractions and features, visitors who will attend the event will have the opportunity to vote for their favourite vehicle in the People's Choice Awards.

The owner of the winning car will receive a Beaulieu Trophy in an afternoon presentation ceremony and will lead a cavalcade of Vauxhalls through the attraction grounds.

For entrants arriving in a Vauxhall and joining the event on the Beaulieu parkland, entry prices for adults is £10 and for children £5.

Visitors can buy on the day or book in advance at beaulieushop.co.uk or on ticket hotline 01590 612888.

Event tickets include entry to the whole Beaulieu attraction.

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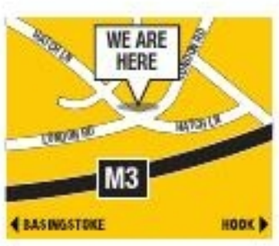


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Finance example Ford Kuga 2.0 TDCi 163: Price £24995.00. Deposit £1000.00. Total amount of credit £23995.00. Purchase fee £10.00. Credit facility fee £340.00.

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Solutions (Personal Contract Plan) Representative Finance Example for SKODA Citigo 1.0MPI SE 3dr based on 5,000 miles per annum: Duration 42 months, 41 monthly payments of £97.79, Deposit £1,000.38, Retail cash price £9,060.00, Acceptance fee £0.00, Optional final payment £4,052.70, Option to purchase fee £0.00, Total amount payable £9,060.00 Total amount of credit £8,059.63, Representative APR 0.0%, Rate of interest 0.00% fixed These offers supersede all previously advertised offers. Prices correct at time of going to press. Offers are subject to availability. Licenced credit brokers, written details available on request, finance is subject to status. E&OE. 0844/0843 Numbers charged at local rate. 55535

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**Fuel consumption figures for the Civic 1.6 i-DTEC Black Special Edition in mpg (l/100km): Urban 70.6 (4.0), Extra Urban 85.6 (3.3), Combined 78.5 (3.6). $CO_2$ emissions: 94 g/km. Fuel consumption figures sourced from official EU-regulated laboratory test results, are provided for comparison purposes and may not reflect real-life driving experience.**

**Model Shown:** Civic 1.6 i-DTEC Black Special Edition in Crystal Black Pearl at £22,460 On The Road (OTR). **Terms and Conditions:** New retail Civic registered from 1 July 2014 to 30 September 2014. Subject to model and colour availability. Offers applicable at participating dealers and are at the promoter's absolute discretion. **Civic Black Special Edition Honda Aspirations (PCP):** Example shown based on Civic 1.6 i-DTEC Black Special Edition in Crystal Black Pearl at £22,460 total cash price (and total amount payable) with 37 months 0% APR Representative (interest rate per annum 0% fixed) with £0 (0%) deposit, £408.29 monthly payment, Guaranteed Future Value / Optional Final Payment of £7,761.73 annual mileage of 10,000 and excess mileage charge: 6p per mile. You do not have to pay the Final Payment if you return the car at the end of the agreement and you have paid all other amounts due, the vehicle is in good condition and has been serviced in accordance with the Honda service book and the maximum annual mileage has not been exceeded. Indemnities may be required in certain circumstances. Finance is only available to persons aged 18 or over, subject to status. All figures are correct at time of publication but may be subject to change. Credit provided by Honda Finance Europe Plc, 470 London Road, Slough, Berkshire SL3 8QY. Honda Finance Europe Plc. is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, Financial Services Register number 312541. **The 5 Year Care Package Includes: Servicing:** All scheduled servicing, as detailed in the vehicles service book, will be covered for 5 years or 62,500 miles, whichever comes first. **Warranty:** In addition to the standard 3 year warranty the customer will receive a complimentary 2 year extended guarantee taking the warranty to 5 years or 90,000 miles, whichever comes first. **Roadside Assist:** In addition to the standard 3 years roadside assistance package the customer will receive complimentary Hondacare Assistance for a further 2 years, taking it to 5 years or 90,000 miles, whichever comes first. **The 5 Year Care Package:** The 5 Year Care Package is optional. **It is being offered for £555 including VAT** (usual value £1,845 including VAT, resulting in a £1,290 saving for the customer) and is available to finance or non-finance customers. Please note, should you sell the vehicle during the period of cover, the package remains with the vehicle. 55493

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Representative finance example for Suzuki Alto Hatchback 1.0 SZ 5dr: Cash Price: £5940.00, Deposit: £800.00, Total amount of credit: £5140.00, Purchase fee: £10.00, Credit facility fee: £340.00, Total amount payable: £7224.02, Initial payment: £274.22, 40 monthly payments: £99.22, Final payment: £2181.00, Duration of agreement: 42 months, Representative APR: 10.5%, Interest rate: 7.35%. Vehicles are shown for illustration purposes only. These offers supersede all previously advertised offers. Prices correct at time of going to press. Offers are subject to availability. Licenced credit brokers, written details available on request, finance is subject to status. E&OE. 0844 Numbers charged at local rate. 55508

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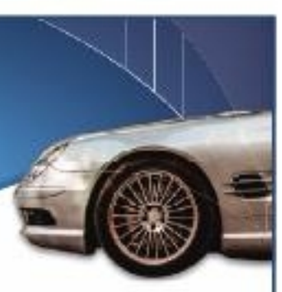

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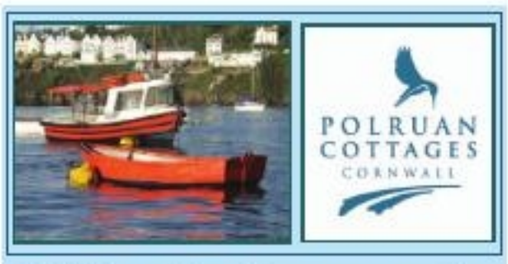



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# 'STOKE KEEPING IT IN THE FAMILY

## Poor results for the local cricket teams at weekend

**BASINGSTOKE and North Hants Cricket Club lost their first match of the season on Saturday, as they were beaten by Sarisbury Athletic on home ground by 49 runs.**

The hosts were set a target of 268-8 by Sarisbury, but could only score 176 in reply.

It means that Sarisbury have moved ahead of Basingstoke in the Southern Division One table, with just New Milton above them.

In the same league, Hook and Newnham Basics were also defeated as they lost to New Milton by one wicket.

Hook's total of 125 was almost enough to take the win, with New Milton taking the victory on 126-9.

The result puts Hook seventh in the league standings, having won two and lost four of their matches so far this season.

In Division Two, Hartley Wintney's game against Sparsholt was abandoned, with Witney on 59-1.

Despite the match being called off, Wintney are third in their league table, with just Rowledge and Calmore Sports sitting above them.

All three teams return to action this Saturday, with Basingstoke travelling to Hambledon, Hook visiting Sarisbury, while Wintney are away to Rowledge.

**BASINGSTOKE RFC's director of rugby James Croker has stepped down as head coach of the club, to be replaced by his older brother Will.**

James has taken up a new post as director of sport at Daneshill School in Hook, and is moving aside from rugby for a year while he concentrates on his new job.

He had been at the helm for the past three years, winning the Hampshire Cup with the squad at the end of last season.

And while they were relegated to the London One South in James' final season, overall it has been a successful three years for the coach.

Will has been part of James' coaching team at 'Stoke for the past three years, and has stepped into the role when his brother was absent through illness.

"Having been involved with the club for three years, it feels like the right time," said Will.

"I wasn't expecting it to happen quite as suddenly as it has, obviously with James getting the job he's been offered, but I'm delighted about the opportunity.

"I want to keep the ethos we had under James, but I also feel it's the right time to make a couple of changes to the game plan so it suits our squad a bit better."

By **Adam Flinn**
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Will also spoke about how James started his coaching career before him, despite Will being the older of the two.

"It's always been a bit strange because James is younger than I am," Will added.

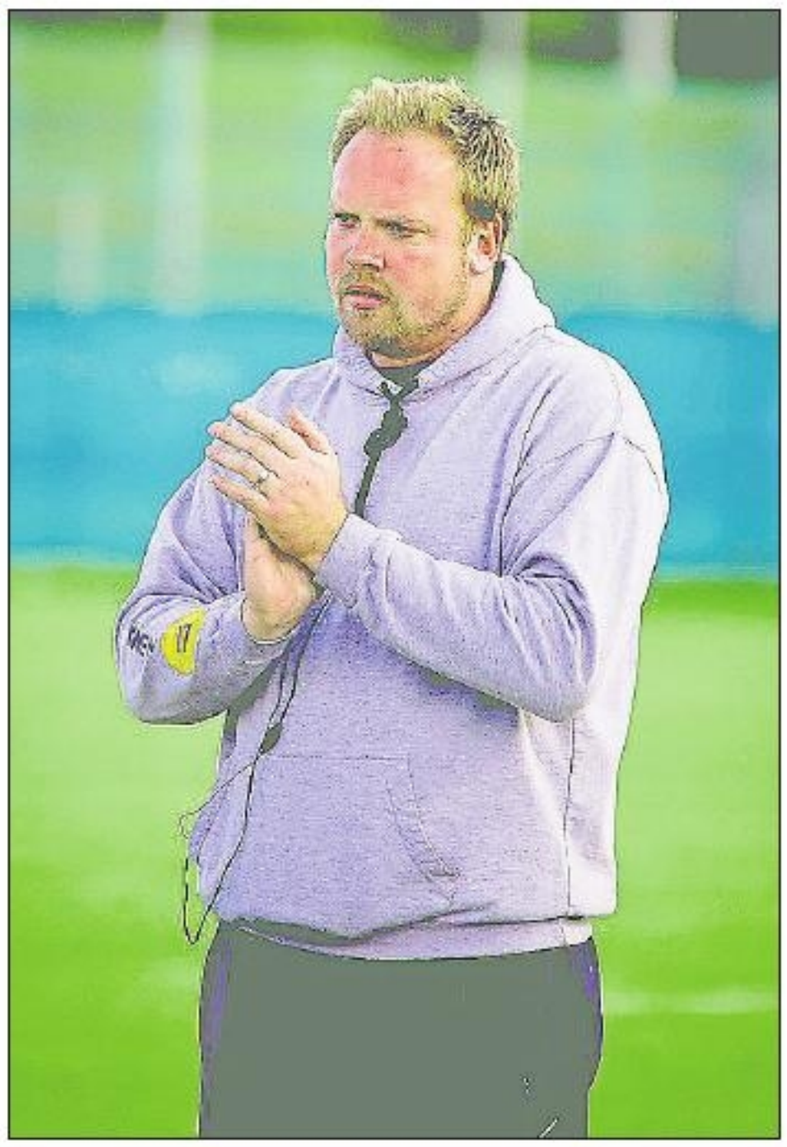
"Even when we were playing, James had to retire very early because of an ankle injury, so he started coaching at 25-years-old.

"He was one of my senior coaches when I was playing down in Bournemouth, but we've been doing it long enough now for it not to be an issue.

"I am sad about it – we enjoyed our three years, but it's an opportunity that's too good for him to turn down, and in honesty now it's happened I'm delighted and I can't wait to get on with it."

'Stoke begin their pre-season matches with an inter-club fixture on August 16, before a home match against Old Elthamians on August 30.

They then begin the season proper on September 6, with a home tie with Dover.



**· James Croker (right) has been replaced as head coach by Will Croker**

## Sport Bites

### Hamilton flop

IT was a disappointing weekend for Basingstoke sports car driver Archie Hamilton at the weekend, as he could only manage results of 14th and 11th at the Hungaroring.

Hamilton and team-mate Diederik Sijthoff were unable to break into the top-10 at either race at the Budapest circuit.

It means that the pairing are currently 17th in the International GT Open standings, and head to the British track of Silverstone for the next race from July 18 to 20.

### Bluefin's victory

MASTERS swimmers from Basingstoke Bluefins have won their fifth consecutive Top Club trophy at the Hampshire Championships.

The team of 29 swimmers won 66 gold, 28 silver and 27 bronze medals in their title defence at Aldershot Garrison Sports Centre, finishing comfortably clear of second-placed Southampton.

Top Man award went to Brendan Giltinane, with Bluefins' Fleur Parker and Michelle Matson making the top-10 of the Top Lady award.

### Canada triathlon

LYCHPIT triathlete Gareth Sylvester-Bradley is set to represent Great Britain at the Triathlon World Championships in Canada later this year.

He qualified for the team after his strong performance at the Nottingham Triathlon, and will be swimming 750m, cycling 20km and running 5km in Edmonton next month.

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## Defensive strongman Declan Balmer, is latest signing to Bison

**BASINGSTOKE Bison have announced young defenceman Declan Balmer, as their latest pre-season signing.**

Balmer, 19, is the third new face to join the Bison squad over the summer, joining after a full year with Peterborough Phantoms where he collected seven assists.

He learnt ice hockey in his home town of Hull and made his debut with the Bradford Bulldogs in the 2011/12 season.

In 2012, Balmer made his debut for Great Britain's under-18 side, before moving up to the under-20 squad the following year, where he played alongside current Bison, Matt Selby.

"I am a physical stay at home defenceman," Balmer said.

"When I played against the Bison they worked hard in every zone on the ice, and I am ready to buy into this. I want to help them win some more trophies."

Bison player/coach Doug Sheppard said: "Declan impressed me when we played against them.

"He is a great pick-up for us and finishes our defensive core."

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## Town denied by last-gasp Winchester in pre-season friendly

# 'STOKE ARE FAR FROM COMPLETE - BRISTOW

**TWO goals towards the end of the match denied Basingstoke Town victory in their first pre-season match, as they drew 2-2 with Winchester City on Tuesday night.**

Basingstoke started strongly, but it took until the 45th minute for Liam Enver-Marum to break the deadlock, firing the ball into the net from 12 yards out.

Seven minutes later they doubled their lead, this time through Chris Flood, who headed home Louie Soares' cross.

Town looked like they would keep up their lead until Shane Hollomby was forced off with injury in the 79th minute.

By **Adam Flinn**
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Winchester took advantage of having an extra man with Reece Rusher finding the far corner just two minutes later.

And their comeback was complete in the 90th minute, as Warren Bentley scored an angled drive.

Despite conceding twice late on, Town manager Jason Bristow was pleased.

He said: "It was a good workout, and a large part of the game we dominated possession.

"To be fair we should have been six ahead, we had some very good chances, but overall some really positive performances and it gives us something to think about going into the next game."

Bristow also said his side was far from complete and expects to make signings before the start of the season proper next month.

"We need to strengthen the side and there were some players who were involved on Tuesday who put themselves in the frame.

"We know there's a couple of areas we need to improve, and we'll be looking to do that in the coming weeks."

Basingstoke are now preparing for their second pre-season match against Yeovil Town on Saturday.

After they play Reading next Tuesday, they face Hungerford Town two days later.

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· Liam Enver-Marum gave Town the lead just before half-time (Picture by Les Chase)

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